CHAPTER II—PROTECTION

(i) (a) The Mysore Legislative Assembly

57. The Legislative Assembly met twice during the year. The October Session commenced on the 11th October 1954 and concluded on the 23rd October 1954. The Budget Session commenced on the 19th February 1955 and concluded on the 26th April 1955.

Election of New Speaker.

58. On the 13th October 1954, Sri H. S. Rudrappa, B.Sc., LL.B., was unanimously elected as the new Speaker, in the vacancy caused by the death of Sri H. Siddaiya, B.A., B.L.

59. As required by the Constitution of India, His Highness the Rajpramukh addressed the members of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council assembled together on the 19th February 1955. The debate on the motion of thanks lasted for two days. Out of the four amendments moved, three were negatived and the other one was not pressed.

Questions.

60. One thousand five hundred and fifty-five questions were admitted. One question was withdrawn. Answers were furnished in regard to 1,225 questions.

Short Notice Questions.

61. Eleven Short Notice Questions were admitted. Answers were furnished to 7 questions.

October Session—1954

Bills.

The following Bills were passed during the two Sessions of the Legislative Assembly :—

(1) The Madras Tenants and Ryots Protection (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1954.
(2) The Mysore Transfer of Prisoners Bill, 1954.
(3) The Mysore Contract (Extension to Agricultural Land) Bill, 1954.
*(4) The Mysore Housing Board Bill, 1954.
(5) The Mysore Appropriation (No. 4) Bill, 1954.

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* The Bill was introduced during the adjourned meeting of the Budget Session, 1954, referred to the Joint Select Committee and passed during the October Session, 1954.

Budget Session, 1955.

(1) The Mysore Elementary Education (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(2) The Mysore Appropriation Bill, 1955.
*(3) The Mysore Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(4) The Motor Vehicles (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(5) The Madras General Sales Tax (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(6) The Mysore Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1955.
(7) The Mysore Village Panchayets and District Boards (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
*(8) The Mysore Agricultural Income-Tax Bill, 1955.
(9) The Mysore Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(10) The Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
(11) The Mysore Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1955.
(12) The Mysore Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1955.
%(13) The Mysore Revenue Laws (Extension to Bellary) Bill, 1955.
@(14) The Mysore (Religious and Charitable) Inams Abolition Bill, 1954.
%(15) The Mysore Laws (Extension to Bellary and Amendment) Bill, 1945.
%(16) The Mysore Board of Revenue Bill, 1954.
%(17) The Mysore Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1954.
%(18) The Cattle Trespass (Amendment) Bill, 1954.
%(19) The Mysore Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill, 1954.

(*Note*: * This indicates Bills passed after reference to Select Committee.
% Indicates that the Bill was introduced during the October Session, 1954 and passed during this Session.
@ Indicates that the Bill was introduced during the adjourned meetings of the Budget Session, 1954, was referred to Joint Select Committee and passed during this Session).

62. One hundred and eighty-six resolutions tabled by members were admitted. Of them, 9 resolutions were discussed, of which 8 were withdrawn. One resolution was passed. Resolutions.

63. Five special resolutions were tabled during the Budget Session, 1955. Three of them were passed. Special Resolutions.

64. Eight Adjournment Motions were tabled by the members. Six were disallowed as being out of order and 2 were withdrawn by the members. Adjournment Motions.

65. Three Privilege Motions were tabled during the Budget Session 1955. Two of them were not admitted and the other one was withdrawn. Privilege Motions.

66. Elections to Board of Industries, Public Accounts Committee and Estimates Committee were held during the October Session 1954. Elections to the House Committee and one Privileges Committee were held during the Budget Session, 1955. Elections.

67. Discussions on the reports of the K.G.F. Gold Review Committee and the Fact Finding Committee took place during the Budget Session 1955. A large number of members took part in these discussions and offered their suggestions. Discussions on the Report of the K.G.F. Gold Review Committee and the Fact Finding Committee.

68. The Chief Minister laid on the table of the House the schedule of demands for supplementary and additional grants for the year 1954-55 on 12th October 1954 and 22nd February 1955. Financial Business.

69. The Speaker made a statement during the October Session of the Legislative Assembly laying down a new procedure for disposing of the ten Motions of Demands for Supplementary Grants within 3½ hours. The procedure was to move all the motions together and to allot specified time in respect of cut Motions on each demand during the discussion of which, the subject matter of the cut motions agreed upon by the parties would be raised by members and answered by the Ministers concerned.

70. The ten motions for demands for supplementary and additional grants amounting to Rs. 1,13,17,800 were put to vote and adopted.

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Presentation of the Budget for 1955-56.

71. During the Budget Session 1955, the Chief Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1955-56 on 3rd March 1955. There was a general discussion on the Budget for three days and voting of demands for grants for twelve days. One thousand two hundred and sixty cut motions were tabled by members, some of which were moved and withdrawn and the rest not moved.

Reports of the Committees.

72. (*a*) The Chief Minister presented the following reports on 12th October 1954 :—

Report of the Public Accounts Committee on

(i) the Appropriation Account of 1950-51,
(ii) Audit Report, 1952,
(iii) Audit Report, 1951,
(iv) Finance Accounts, 1950-51.

73. (*b*) The Chairman of the Estimates Committee presented the Second Report of the Estimates Committee on the same day.

Condolence References.

74. On 11th October 1954, the Secretary read out a communication from the Secretary, Lok Sabha Secretariat, conveying the resolution mourning the loss of Sri H. Siddaiya, Speaker, Mysore Legislative Assembly, adopted by the conference of the Presiding Officers which met at Srinagar. After touching references were made, the House for two minutes and adjourned for the day as a mark of respect to the memory of Sri H. Siddaiya.

75. References were also made during the same session to the demise of Sriyuts : Channa Narasimhaiya, Venkataswami Gowda and C. Narasimhaiya, past members of the Legislature.

Half-an-hour discussions

76. There were half-an-hour discussions during both the sessions in respect of answers furnished to four questions of public interest for which replies were given by the Ministers concerned.

(b) The Mysore Legislative Council

77. The Legislative Council met two times during the year. The October Session commenced on 11th October 1954 and concluded on 23rd October 1954. The Budget Session commenced on the 19th February 1955 and concluded on 27th April 1955.

78. As required by the Constitution of India, His Highness the Rajpramukh addressed the members of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council assembled together on 19th February 1955. The debate on the motion of thanks to His Highness the Rajpramukh lasted for two days; out of the four amendments moved for the motion, one was negatived and three were withdrawn.

79. Out of 294 questions that were tabled, 287 were admitted. Answers for 216 questions were furnished. One question was withdrawn by the member. Starred Questions.

80. Out of 125 questions that were tabled, 117 were admitted, and answers were furnished in regard to 87 questions, which were laid on the table of the House. Un-starred Questions.

81. Seventeen Short Notice Questions were tabled, out of which seven were disallowed. Answers for five questions were furnished. Short Notice Questions.

82. The following Bills were passed during the two sessions of the Legislative Council :— Bills.

October Session, 1954.

1. The Mysore Transfer of Prisoners Bill, 1954.
2. The Mysore Contract (Extension to Agricultural Land) Bill, 1954.
3. The Mysore Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill, 1954.
4. The Cattle Trespass (Amendment) Bill, 1954.
5. The Mysore Housing Board Bill, 1954.
6. The Madras Tenants and Ryots Protection (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1954.
7. The Mysore Appropriation (No. 4) Bill, 1954.

Budget Session, 1955

1. The Mysore (Religious and Charitable) Inams Abolition Bill, 1954.*
2. The Mysore Laws (Extension to Bellary) (Amendment) Bill, 1954.
3. The Mysore Revenue Laws (Extension to Bellary) Bill, 1954.
4. The Mysore Board of Revenue Bill, 1954.*

(*Note.*—Indicates Bill passed after reference to joint or Select Committees).

5. The Mysore Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 1954.*
6. The Mysore Elementary Education (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
7. The Mysore Appropriation Bill, 1955.
8. The Mysore Sales-Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
9. The Motor Vehicles (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
10. The Mysore Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1955.
11. The Madras General Sales-Tax (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
12. The Mysore Village Panchayats and District Boards (Amendment) Bill, 1955.
13. The Mysore Agricultural Income-Tax Bill, 1955.*
14. The Mysore Sales-Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1955.
15. The Madras Tobacco (Taxation of Sales and Registration) (Mysore Amendment) Bill, 1955.
16. The Mysore Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1955.
17. The Mysore Sales-Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1955.

Resolutions

83. Thirty seven non-official resolutions tabled by members were admitted. Seven resolutions were discussed and withdrawn by the leave of the House.

Special Resolution.

84. One special resolution regarding the establishment of a National Theatre in the State for the promotion of drama, dance and music moved by a Member was adopted by the House during the Budget Session of 1955.

Adjournment Motions.

85. Out of the 8 Adjournment Motions tabled during the two sessions, 7 were disallowed and one was withdrawn.

Privilege Motion.

86. One Privilege Motion was tabled in respect of the premature publication of the Budget Speech in the English Daily "Daily Post" but was not pressed

87. Election to the Privileges Committee and the House Committee took place during the Budget Session, 1955.

*Indicates Bill passed after reference to joint or Select Committee).

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Financial Business.

88. The Minister for Law and Education laid on the table on behalf of the Chief Minister on 12th October 1954 a Schedule of Demands for Supplementary and Additional Grants for the year 1954-55. On 22nd February 1955 the Chief Minister laid on the table the schedule of Demands for additional grants for the year 1954-55. General discussion on supplementary and additional grants occupied one day.

89. The Chief Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1955-56 on 3rd March 1955. There was a general discussion on the Budget which lasted for 5 days.

Laying of Reports.

90. The report of the Mysore Public Service Commission which was laid on the table of the House on 2nd March 1955 was discussed during the Budget Session, 1955.

91. Discussion on the reports of the K.G.F. Gold Review Committee, the Fact Finding Committee (States Reorganisation), the Appropriation Accounts 1951-52 and Audit Report 1952, and Finance Accounts 1951-1952 and Audit Report 1953, took place during the Budget Session, 1955. Most of the Members took part in the discussion and offered their suggestions.

Half-an-hour discussion.

92. Notice was given to raise half-an-hour discussion in respect of answers to 15 questions, out of which 5 were replied by the concerned Ministers.

Condolence.

93. During the earlier session, a reference to the demise of Sri H. Siddaiya, Speaker of the Mysore Legislative Assembly, was made. The House stood in silence for two minutes and adjourned for the day as a mark of respect to the memory of late Sri H. Siddaiya.

94. Reference to the demise of Sri C. Narasimhaiya, Advocate of Mysore, and Member was also made during the same session.

(ii) (a) Legislative Enactments.

1. *The City of Mysore Improvement (Amendment) Act,* 1954 (14 *of* 1954).—This Act substitutes a new section for section 25 of the principal Act of 1903 thereby investing the Government with a measure of control over the disposal of moveable or immoveable property by the Mysore City Improvement Trust Board including those that are given on free grant basis.